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WEATHER FORECAST.
Fair tonight and tomorrow.

EL PASO HERALD

VILLA PREPARES TO RESIST AN ATTACK U. S. TROOPS STAY IN VERACRUZ

BRIDGE WRECKED BY THE RECREATING FRENCH DEPARTURE IS DELAYED BY U. S. ORDER

Anticipates Attack from Car-
ranza from Coahuila,
It Is Believed.

MUCH ARTILLERY
HELD AT TORREON

Villa To Exempt Coal For
Mines, So That Opera-
tions Will Continue.

ARRANGEMENTS for a conference
of generals for the purpose of
mediating the differences be-
tween Carranza and Villa are under-
way at Mexico City, according to a
telegram received in El Paso Friday
by Carranza's consul. No details
were given and it is not known
whether Villa has yet been asked to
appoint representatives. The conference
is to be held in Mexico City.

The concentration of Villa troops
at Torreon has been temporarily
halted, according to Americans who
arrived late Thursday night from
Chihuahua. It is stated that the only
troops that have been sent to Torreon
since the open hostilities between Villa
and Carranza, are the five trainloads that
comprised the Sonora expeditionary
force, in command of Gen. Felipe An-
gulo. This force, which was recalled
from Guzman and sent south, numbered
about 2000 men and will bring the Tor-
reon garrison up to 15,000.

Artillery at Torreon.
A considerable amount of artillery
has been concentrated at Torreon. The
recalling of a strong garrison at Chi-
huahua and other points above Torreon
would indicate that Villa is preparing
for an attack from Coahuila and that
the largest force of Carranza troops
are not located between Aguascalientes
and Zacatecas, as was at first reported.
Carrancistas on this side and officials
in Juarez were in a state of alarm
Friday morning that they had received
no word of armed encounters.

An extensive financial plan, it is ex-
pected, will be put into operation in a
few days by Villa. The report was current
Friday that one of the first results of
this plan will be an increase of about
3 percent in duties on many of the
common imports. All of the "Constitu-
tionalists" have already been seized and
stamped with a distinguishing mark to
show that they come from Villa's terri-
tory.

Mining Coal Released.
Villa is said to be very anxious to
insure the continuation of mining
operations, as this means a steady re-
venue, and for this reason a number of
exceptions have already been made in
the general order confiscating all coal.
It is understood that this will be ex-
tended so that coal to transport al-
ready received by mines or smelters at
the time of the order will not be con-
fiscated.

Gen. Juan Cabral, the Carrancista
leader sent to Sonora to take over the
military power, arrived in El Paso
Saturday on his way to Mexico City.
Mayoresa refused to treat with Cabral
when he arrived in Sonora and, as a
result, Gen. Cabral was ordered to
return to Mexico City.

Reports were again current Saturday
that Felix Diaz and Francisco Carbajal
were on their way to El Paso. Diaz is
known to have arrived in San Antonio,
at which city Carbajal arrived Wednesday.
Both the Villa and Carranza fac-
tions deny that they are courting or
accepting the support of the "Constitu-
tionalists," but agents of that faction have
been very active here of late.

Gen. Benjamin Gil, who heads the
Carranza forces in Sonora, has gone to
Naco, Son., where he will arrange for
the crossing of small arms and ammuni-
tion. Gil controls the railway from
Naco to Guaymas, and has considerable
forces at both points, according to
Carrancistas here. He has been given
no specific orders from Mexico City
either to attack Mayoresa or leave
the state.

Carrothers Goes to Chihuahua.
George C. Carrothers, special agent
of the state department, left for Chi-
huahua early Saturday morning, having
his private car attached to a mixed
train. Carrothers expected to hold a
conference here with Villa.

Villa's Side of It.
"Gen. Villa declared war against Car-
ranza on Wednesday morning at 10
o'clock. Until Thursday night, no
troops had been sent out of Chihuahua,
except the four thousand men who
were recalled from the proposed So-
nora campaign and who are now on
their way to Torreon."

This was the statement of an Amer-
ican who arrived early this morning
from Chihuahua. He also said that Gen.
Alvaro Obregón left Chihuahua for
Mexico City on Wednesday night, after
having received a long verbal message
from Villa for delivery to Carranza as
to why the former had opened hos-
tilities against "the first chief of the
nation." It is said, showed Obregón every
consideration while he was in Chihuahua
and upon parting, told Obregón that
he regarded him as one of the few
patriots left in Mexico, but felt sorry
that sentimental reasons made him
(Obregón) a partisan of Carranza.

Villa Expresses Sorrow.
"I am sorry that we must part under
these conditions," Villa is quoted as
saying, "and that the next time we
(Continued on Page 8, Col. 2).



PHOTO BY INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE
This picture shows a bridge at Torreon which was blown up by the French in their retreat towards Durango, and which was reconstructed by German army engineers. Note the temporary supports put under the bridge by the army engineers at the left of the picture. At the right are two German soldiers posing to have their pictures taken in warlike attitudes. In these men the fine type of the German fighters is well illustrated.

THE WAR AT A GLANCE

THE 13th day of the great bat-
tle of the Marne, northwest
of Paris, finds the Franco-
British and German armies still
fighting desperately, with the Ger-
mans fiercely resisting the gradual
advance of the allies on Gen. Von
Kluge's flank.

The French army is now con-
centrated in a position between the
river Somme and the river Oise,
in a position approximately 60
miles north of Paris.

On the eastern end of the battle
line in France, the Germans are
reported to be making a determined
assault on the Verdun positions.
One report of the fighting there
places the French at a disadvantage
with 15,000 dead and 15,000 wounded.

The German army headquarters,
in its latest official statement re-
garding the situation in France,
confirms itself to stating that there
have been some minor engagements,
but nothing of importance has transpired.

The sharpening of the campaign
over news passing through the
hands of the British authorities,
announced Thursday night, is ap-
parent to a marked degree today.
Considerable amounts of unofficial
reports, comment and special dis-
patches from the war zone are not
being transmitted from England.

AUSTRIAN POSITIONS TAKEN
In the eastern theater the Rus-

also pursuit of the Austro-German
forces in Galicia continues. A Rus-
sian official statement says the
Galician fortified positions of
Czyschek and Poustyn, together
with all the Austrian artillery,
have been captured.

Following the capture of Jaros-
law, the Russian flag has moved
forward 12 miles to the west of
that position and now flies over
the town of Przemska and Nacut.
The Russians claim to be steadily
closing in on Cracow.

A Berlin official statement says
there is no news from the eastern
war zone.

BOMBS DROPPED IN OSTEND.
Zeppelin airships have extended
their operations to the Belgian coast-
line and on Thursday night dropped
a considerable number of bombs
and created a panic among the in-
habitants.

KAISER CATCHES COLD.
Emperor William is reported to
be suffering from a severe cold
and is unable to leave his quarters
in a violent rainstorm while
observing the German soldiers in
the trenches before Verdun.

SWISS REFUSE GERMAN REQUEST.
The Bern authorities are reported
to have declined Germany's re-
quest for permission to send her
forces through Switzerland. Italy,
it is said, prepared to defend Switzer-
land's neutrality would Germany
forcibly attempt to cross the fron-
tier.

MORE OFFICERS ALREADY
ARE NEEDED BY ENGLAND
London, Eng., Sept. 25.—The military
correspondent of the Times writes as
follows:
"An army cannot be improvised at a
moment's notice and instances in which
improvisation has been made in the
past have been lamentable failures.
Experienced officers are always con-
sidered the backbone of an army and
raising at home because they don't
think they will be ready to fight in
the field for 18 months and then only
if they have been trained by good profes-
sional officers, the numbers of which
are limited and are being constantly
decreased by losses in action."
The question of officers is a serious
one. An examination of our casualty
list shows we have lost already over
1100 killed, wounded or missing.
"More officers is the constant cry
from the front, and several hundred
have been sent but obviously this can-
not be kept up forever and each officer
sent is one less instructor for the new
troops. We must not allow ourselves to
become mere mercenaries and place in
the field regiments which are unfit to
defend our army."

BRITISH SEIZE GERMAN
COLONIAL TOWN AND HARBOR
London, Eng., Sept. 25.—The official
press bureau this afternoon issued a
statement saying the admiralty au-
thorities received a telegram from
Cape Town, South Africa, stating that
the harbor of Friedrich Wilhelm, the seat
of government of Kaiser Wilhelm's
land (the name applied to the German
portion of New Guinea) have been occu-
pied by an Australian force without
opposition.

The armed forces of the enemy ap-
pear to have been concentrated at Her-
bertshöhe, where they were annihilated.
The British flag has been hoisted
at Friedrich Wilhelm, and a garrison
has been established there."

AUSTRIANS DECLARE 7000
SERBIANS TAKEN PRISONERS
Berlin, Germany, Sept. 25.—Tele-
grams received here from Vienna de-
clare 20,000 Serbians invaded Austria.
They entered Slavonian territory and
built fortifications. The Austrian
troops retreated intentionally. Sud-
denly they attacked the invaders from
two sides near Jakovo and took 7000
prisoners. Many Serbians were killed
while others were drowned in the river
Save.

FLEET SEIZES AUSTRIAN PORT

London, Eng., Sept. 25.—A Central
News dispatch from Rome, Italy, says
that the Austrian emperor of Liège in
Belgium was captured by a French
fleet on September 19.

Later troops were landed from the
French warships and went into garri-
son. British and French flags were
hoisted over the semaphore station at
Liège.

WOULD DRAW AUSTRIAN
FLEET OUT TO BATTLE
Paris, France, Sept. 25.—A dispatch
to the Italian newspaper Messaggero,
received from Rome, says that the
correspondent of the Havas agency, says
that the allied forces have landed in
Belgium and created a panic among the in-
habitants.

GOVERNMENT FORBIDS ANY
AIR FLIGHTS OVER ITALY
London, Eng., Sept. 25.—In a dis-
patch from Rome the correspondent of
the Central News says the Italian au-
thorities have issued a decree prohib-
iting all aerial navigation over Italian
territory.

ENGLAND WILL SEE WAR
THROUGH—LLOYD-GEORGE.
London, Eng., Sept. 25.—Speaking to-
day at a meeting of his neighbors at
Criccieth, Wales, Chancellor of the ex-
chequer Lloyd-George declared that
war was quite unexpected.

MINER SINKS NORWEGIAN
SHIP; TWO ARE KILLED
London, Eng., Sept. 25.—A South
Shields dispatch to the Central News
says that the Norwegian steamer
Hestral, has been destroyed by strik-
ing a mine in the North sea. The chief
engineer and one of his assistants were
killed, but the captain and the crew of
14 were rescued by a British warship
and brought to South Shields.

BRITISH TAKE DUTCH SHIP.
REMOVE GERMAN RESERVISTS.
London, Eng., Sept. 25.—A dispatch
from Queenstown to the Pall Mall
Gazette says that the Holland American
liner Amstelredyk, which sailed from
Rotterdam, was captured by a British
cruiser and taken to Queenstown.

After a number of German reservists
had been removed from the Amstelredyk
the vessel proceeded to her destina-
tion.

BIG BATTLE IN PROGRESS;
TRAFFIC IN PRUSSIA HALTED
Copenhagen, Denmark, Sept. 25.—It is
learned here from apparently good
sources that the German government has
Thursday stopped all traffic of civil
passengers in east Prussia owing to the
fact that a great battle was in progress
and that direction towards Breslau.
Breslau communication from
Telegraphic communication from
Breslau in the Elbe river, it is stated,
stopped in order to prevent information
of the serious situation being sent.

WILL RELINQUISH FOR \$1200
claim on beautiful 2-story 7-room
house on Montana St. No agents.

For further information of
the above see page 10,
column 2 of this paper.

MANN SAYS WAR TAX NEEDLESS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 25.—Debate
on the war revenue bill proceeded to-
day in both branches of congress.

In the house, Republican leader Mann led
the fight on it with a speech in which
he characterized it as unnecessary,
claiming that a demand for more tax-
ation was hysterical and that the ad-
ministration was "excited."

In the senate the finance committee
continued work on the bill and senator
Spartan made a speech on the effect of
the sugar rates of the new tariff on
the beet sugar industry.

CLOSING IS VIRTUALLY ACT
OF PRESIDENT, U. S. HOLDS
WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 25.—Whether
or not a court can enjoin the president
of the United States was a question
raised by attorney general Gregory to-
day in connection with the government's
closing of the Salsomast station of the
Marconi wireless telegraph company.

The Marconi company Thursday threat-
ened to apply for an injunction prohib-
iting the government from closing the
station or censoring messages sent
to and from it.

The attorney general's department
considered such action would be in
effect, an injunction against the president.
The administration officials be-
lieve the question of whether the work
of destruction was by former federal
soldiers.

BANKING COMMISSIONS AID
TO PREVENT HOARDING FUNDS
Washington, D. C., Sept. 25.—From
state bank commissioners in Oregon,
Missouri, Georgia, Ohio, Alabama and
Connecticut today came promises of
cooperation with secretary McAdoo to
prevent hoarding of funds by banks
and high interest rates.

All the commissioners said they were
investigating and the majority said
they had seen no indications of such
conditions as yet.

MAKE SERIOUS ERROR IN
FORGETTING WOMEN VOTE
Phoenix, Ariz., Sept. 25.—When the
Democratic leaders of Maricopa county
forgot that women now vote in Ariz-
ona, they stirred up all kinds of trou-
ble for themselves.

Not a woman is on the county com-
mittee, and the women want to know
why. The Civic League of Phoenix
wrote several letters to Democrats,
asking the reason.

EDDY COUNTY SUPERVISOR
DIES FROM GUNSHOT WOUND
Artesia, N. M., Sept. 25.—George
Frick, Artesia, well known supervisor for
Eddy county, died as the result of a
gunshot wound which he received in the
arm recently. The arm was amputated
but loss of blood and other complica-
tions caused the death of the well known
supervisor. His funeral was the occasion
for all the Artesia stores closing.

ARE MAKING FINAL TRIP
OVER COURSE TO EL PASO
Phoenix, Ariz., Sept. 25.—During the
racing car that flared in the recent
track races at Juarez, L. J. Fremus and
Lawrence Davis, Jr., made a final
trip over the El Paso race course.
They expect to reach El Paso Saturday.
Fremus and Davis are to drive the
Buck in the El Paso race. It is owned
by state land commissioner Cy Byrne.

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TRANSPOITS WERE
BEING LOADED
Details of Transfer of Funds
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AN ANTONIO, Tex., Sept. 25.—
Telegraphic dispatches re-
ceived here by Samuel Bel-
den, legal representative for
Venustiano Carranza, from R. V.
Pescueta, who is now in Mexico
City, announce that, following a
conference telegraphed to a board of
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